

Amendment to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0084] with the following amended paragraph:

[0084] 300 parts of wet cake containing 53.6 parts of tetramino copper phthalocyanine (0.085 mol) were suspended in 360 parts of water in a four-neck flask equipped with a condenser, followed by heating to 60°C with stirring, dropping 9.5 parts of acetic anhydride (0.093 mol) at the same temperature and stirring at the same temperature for 5 hours. Successively 0.2 parts of hydroquinone and 95.4 parts of acrylic acid (1.66 mol) were added, followed by heating to 80°C and stirring with keeping the same temperature for 12 hours. Judging from the reaction, mixture of several compounds though it is, the reaction product is found to correspond to a compound which comprises tetramino phthalocyanine having on average one introduced acyl group (acetylamino) and three introduced carboxyethyl per molecule, namely the desired monoacetylamino(2-tricarboxyethylamino) copper phthalocyanine, ~~bis(dicarboxybenzoylamino) bis(2-carboxyethylamino) copper phthalocyanine.~~ After the reaction finished, the reaction solution was cooled down to ordinary temperature and filtered by a Nutsche funnel to

separate the product, which was washed with 500 parts of water and dried to obtain 73 parts of the desired black copper phthalocyanine compound, which had a water-solubility of about 10% by mass at the ordinary temperature.